GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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TRAFFIC INTERJECTIONS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether time devices, showing actual period of waitage and passing synchronised with the traffic signals have been set up at most of the traffic interjections of Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the expenditure incurred on each such time device;

(c) the criteria adopted for the setting up of such time devices;

(d) the purpose for which such time devices have been set up;

(e) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of the Government to educate the road users to switch off the engine of the vehicle at such traffic interjections in order to minimise the pollution level caused by the idle running engines of the motor vehicles;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) the time by which the remaining traffic interjections of Delhi are proposed to be provided with such time devices?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH.VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. Such devices have been installed at some of the major intersections. Delhi Police did not incur any expenditure on installation of these devices as these were set up on sponsorship basis.

(d): The time devices are expected to minimise air and noise pollution as the motorists can switch off their engines till the light turns green; and reduce the tendency to jump red lights with consequent reduction in the number of accidents at the intersections.

(e) & (f): Delhi Traffic Police conducts regular training programmes to impart training to professional drivers, drivers of government departments, motorists and other road users. Similarly, the Road Safety Cell organises film shows on road safety and displays mobile exhibition vans to the road users of Delhi.

(g): The time devices are envisaged to be installed at all the major traffic intersections in a phased manner subject to the availability of funds.